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Greenbelt New Year 2007 Celebrates Community

by Chris Cherry, Recreation Department

“Looking Back, Looking Forward” is the theme of this year’s Greenbelt New Year celebration, and the spotlight will be on the many community groups that make life in Greenbelt great. Among the groups hosting events during the celebration is the Greenbelt Nursery School, which is sponsoring “Sit Right Down and Write Yourself a Letter.” Partygoers will write themselves a letter, reflecting on the past year or expressing hopes for the year about to begin.

The letters will be mailed back to the writers during the last week of 2007. Thus the missives will arrive from the past but they will also bear a token from the future, because the envelopes will be decorated by the next generation. Pre-schoolers from the nursery school and the Recreation Department’s Moms’ Morning Out and Pre-School Art Drop-In programs are busily embellishing the envelopes during December.

The Greenbelt Museum is sponsoring an opportunity for senior citizens to share important memories with the community in “Greenbelt Sages,” a series of video interviews that will be taped during the event by archivist and filmmaker Joe Harris.

Seniors can call the Community Center business office at 301-397-2208 to sign up for a 20-minute interview slot.

The Greenbelt Girl Scouts, representing the many Girl Scout troops that meet in Greenbelt, will host a campfire in Roosevelt Center, featuring genuine Girl Scout s’mores. Greenbelter Melissa Sites will again lead songs around the campfire with Tim the Storyteller entertaining the crowd with tall tales.

Past and future will be revealed in the cards at the Janus Exhibit, named for the Roman god who looks both back and forward. Greenbelt Arts Center leading ladies Sheilah Crossley-Cox, Fran Calhoun and Penny Martin are among the seers who will tell fortunes for partygoers and a memory card game will be played as well.

Everywhere throughout the celebration community groups will be hosting or running events to keep partygoers happy, well fed and looking fabulous. Greenbelt Mamas & Papas will host two performances of “The Jester’s Box” by Blue Sky Puppet Theatre. GreenBELT Pride will run

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A Celebration of Local Art At New Deal in December

by A. Neil Deo

If you eat at the New Deal Café at Roosevelt Center, you will find more than wholesome victuals there in December. And if you are not a regular at this family-values venue, both an innovative- and traditional-fare-restaurant, you ought to visit at least during December. About this time each year when the City of Greenbelt lights up the trees for the holidays, the New Deal Café puts on the second of its two group shows, a celebration of local art. The opening and reception were over the weekend but my daughter, a keen artist, was inspired to visit the Café again with me on Tuesday evening, to meet and speak with local artists and take more pictures.

During the first hour of the official reception on Sunday, December 3 more than 40 artists and guests enjoyed a festive atmosphere enhanced by the music of Michael McMullin and his fellow-pianist. The festivities and viewing continued for at least another hour. An estimated 70 artists, friends of local artists, and visitors who signed the guest book, enjoyed delicious food and part of the diverse, rich Greenbelt heritage.

A relaxed crowd of men and women of all ages, and includ-

ing several children, talked and learned about the displays. When manager Ellen Siegal was interviewed on Tuesday, she said, “The show allows the Café to offer its wall space to local artists,” but customers view “a variety of decorative items” that may be purchased “in a family appropriate venue.” It is part of the mission of the café-co-op to bring performance art, music, art and Greenbelt tradition into its space each month, she said. The current exhibit was put together by a committee of four, including McMullin, Michael Smallwood, Eileen Murray and Kristin Stenson, the latter two being the curators of this month-long show. While artists described the process of displaying their work as “easy,” most of them are aware that erotic art is not appropriate for this venue.

Both adults and children moved between the two rooms of the Café, asked questions of artists who were available and enjoyed hummus and tortilla chips, vegetable platters and savored poetic and spicy conversations. Joseph P. Harris, with a somewhat better claim to the title of poet than that of artist,

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Festival Of Lights Events

The Festival of Lights is a celebration of the season held throughout the month of December. Regardless of the origin of individual customs and traditions, Greenbelt welcomes the participation of everyone in the community. Come celebrate together as family, friends and neighbors in the spirit of this special time and these Festival of Lights events:

Saturday, December 16 – Santa’s Visit, 10:30 a.m. to noon, Youth Center, free.

Sunday, December 17 – Holiday Lights Concert, 3 p.m., Community Center Gym, free.

Sunday, December 17 and every Sunday – Greenbelt Museum tours, 1 to 5 p.m. There is a fee.

Friday, December 22 – Blood drive, noon to 6 p.m., Springhill Lake Recreation Center.

Sunday, December 31 – Greenbelt New Year, 7 p.m. until after midnight, all ages, an alcohol-free New Year’s Eve celebration. There is a fee.

Through January 15 – Art exhibit “Janus: Looking Back, Looking Forward,” Community Center Art Gallery, free.

All events are hosted by the Greenbelt Recreation Department unless otherwise noted.

Postal Unit Is Now Open



Limited postal services are now available in the Municipal Building Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

What Goes On

Saturday, December 16 10:30 – noon, Santa’s Visit, Preschool and Up, Youth Center

Sunday, December 17 3 p.m., Greenbelt Concert Band Concert, Community Center Gym

Thursday, December 21 7:30 p.m., GHI Board Meeting, GHI Board Room

Friday, December 22 Noon to 6 p.m., Blood Drive, SHL Recreation Center

Council Approves the Bid For a New Dump Truck

by Barbara Hopkins

After a second round of bids, the city has found an acceptable replacement for a two-ton dump truck that is 11 years old. Acceptable, that is, to all city councilmembers but Rodney Roberts. He cast the sole vote against the bid award at the regular meeting of the Greenbelt City Council on November 27.

In a four-to-one vote, council approved the purchase of a new truck with a pre-2007 diesel engine for \$55,285 from Kip Killmon’s Tyson’s Ford in Virginia. Roberts said he would not vote for a diesel engine “till Hell freezes over,” adding that with global warming, he didn’t see that as a likely happening.

The first round of bids, discussed at council’s meeting on October 23, were all beyond the amount budgeted (\$70,000) in the FY 2007 Replacement Fund, with the lowest bid more than \$20,000 over that figure. Trucks in these bids use new diesel engine emissions technology which staff considers insufficiently tested to date. Staff thought new emissions requirements and a stainless steel body were components that raised the cost in these bids.

They recommended that council reject all the first-round bids and seek new bids for a truck with a 2006 chassis of regular steel and bi-fuel engine options.

At that October 23 meeting Roberts suggested that the city avoid diesel engines altogether because he says it is a dirty fuel and the technology added on in an attempt to clean the emissions of a diesel engine lead to increased maintenance; in his opinion this causes problems. General discussion ensued about problems with the city’s natural gas fuel pump and its limited capacity. Director of Public Works Kenny Hall and the city manager both agreed the pump would not meet the fueling needs for purposes of this replacement truck, which will be used as the city’s snow plow and may need to operate through the night. Roberts suggested if necessary the truck could be fueled at a fast-fill natural gas pump on Rt. 1. He also said models are available that are dual fuel, so the vehicle will run on gasoline when the natural gas tank is empty. Hall said that was

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NASA Structure, Center School in New History

by Virginia Beauchamp

Greenbelt Center School, now the Community Building, is one of some 305 historic and 11 archeological sites protected under the county’s Historic Preservation Ordinance that are included in a new, enlarged edition of the Illustrated Inventory of Historic Sites of Prince George’s County, Maryland. The 218-page work, which was published this summer, supplants a 1993 edition produced by the Prince George’s County Planning Department of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission.

Included inside the back cover is a county map with the location indicated for each of the sites mentioned in the book. With this map as a guide, anyone interested in tracing significant examples of architectural history in this early American county (a political entity since 1696) will be able to find the way.

Not all structures represented are great colonial houses – though a large number of such buildings appear throughout the work. Many structures, of course, are churches. Not far from Greenbelt is St. John’s Episcopal Church on U.S.1 in Beltsville. Constructed in 1877, this building is the third church of its Episcopal congregation to occupy the site. The adjacent graveyard is, of course, still older.

A structure of quite another type, erected only in 1966, is also included in the volume. The history it recognizes is that of the space age – which means, of course, that it has to do with the Goddard Space Flight Center. The photograph shows the Spacecraft Magnetic Test, which is described as “a 60-foot square building constructed of nonmagnetic materials.” The word “square” obviously refers to the building’s size, since the structure portrayed is curvilinear. According to the text, the facility is “unique” and “essential for the operation of the U.S. manned and unmanned space program.”

Another sort of site – this one also associated with transportation, which at the time seemed futuristic – is the College Park Airport. It dates to 1909 and is “the oldest continuously used airport in the world.” Unfortunately the 9/11 disaster almost did it in, since flights in such proximity to the nation’s capital were for a long time prohibited. A modern museum on the site is a good place to learn of the airport’s history, though that building is not itself recognized as historic.

Adelphi Mill

A late 18th-century building not too far away is the Adelphi

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Letters to the Editor

Libraries More Than Ballfields

I'd like to take issue with Councilmember Rodney Roberts' insistence on having many ballfields in the Springhill Lake redevelopment project. Yes, there is a need for ballfields. But the children in the Springhill Lake community cannot walk to the library in Old Greenbelt. The children, besides needing a few ballparks, need to have a place where they can learn and acquaint themselves with computers which many of their parents cannot afford. They need access to library books so that they can improve their reading capabilities. They need to have a place where they can meet with mentors and positive role models in their lives.

Children need to have both fathers and mothers. In today's society the family unit is falling apart as a result of many of them not having fathers in their lives. This is the reason why there are many crimes and drug and alcohol abuses. Children don't have the basic family unit which is the strongest bond in any society. That is also the reason why our society is falling apart.

Sports are overemphasized in blue collar families. Popularity is the most important thing for children in other families. Yes, being involved in sports teaches children how to be team players. Yes, they need to learn how to be team players.

In college and professional sports it is all about money. Athletes only have a few years in their lives when they can participate in sports. Athletes are worshiped in our society, they have gotten away with murder and have committed crimes and they still are allowed to play. Past high school it is all about money.

Learning, teaching values and positive role models values have an impact on children for a lifetime. The more you read and the more you improve your reading skills the more you want to read. Achieving satisfactory reading skills on school reading tests is not enough. Children must be

able to appreciate and love to read outside of school.

Randy Crenwelge

Support Sought

The News Review deserves all the support we can give it. As noted in the November 30 issue, publishing this weekly newspaper with its professional standards and concern for the community is demanding work – all the more as done by volunteers for almost 70 years. Let's pitch in as best we can.

Eli Flam

THANKS

The residents of Green Ridge House would like to thank all of the very multi-talented Girl Scouts of Troop 4816 for the wonderful entertainment they provided us on Friday night. They brought most of their own musical instruments with them and it was a very cold night for them to be out. It was quite obvious that these little girls have a great rapport with the parents who accompanied them as well as the scout leader. Even the little baby who was brought along by the scout leader was a wonderful addition and a reminder of what this season is all about, the birth of a son, and according to song this little baby "no crying did make." The children were so enthusiastic and well mannered it was a real pleasure to have them here. They even brought bags of goodies – an orange and some Star mints that they joyfully gave to each resident. As they caroled the three floors they distributed more bags to those residents who were not able to attend but greeted the children at their door.

Once again, thank you very much. We wish all of the children a very merry Christmas. To the chaperones we know how much work it is and your efforts are well rewarded as evidenced in these girl scouts.

Helena Moore
Secretary
Greenbelt Residents' Association

Motown Star Martha Reeves Coming

Hall of Fame star Martha Reeves will be at the Prince George's Publick Playhouse on Saturday, December 16 at 8 p.m.

The lead singer from Martha and the Vandellas brings a hot holiday performance to the Playhouse stage with a mix of her audience-pleasing oldie favorites and numbers from her 2004 release "Home to You."

Reeves performs solo these days. Both here and in Europe she uses the audience as backup singers for numbers like "Dancin' in the Street," "Heat Wave," "Nowhere to Run," "I'm Ready for Love," "Jimmy Mack" and more. She explains, "Now that everybody knows the music, the people in the audience are the Vandellas."

The R&B/Soul star was inducted into the Rock 'n Roll Hall of Fame in 1995 and into the Vocal Hall of Fame in 2003. She also became a Broadway star, performing in "Ain't Misbehavin'."

For more information, contact Suzi Hoffman at 301-277-1710, 301-229-4220 direct line or email her at shstudio@verizon.net.

Further Deadline For Military Mail

The United States Postal Service deadline is December 19 in order for Express Mail Military Service (EMMS) to reach service personnel by Christmas with zip codes APO/FPO AE ZIPs 090-092, APO/FPO AE ZIPs 094-098, APO/FPO AA ZIPs 340 and APO/FPO AP ZIPs 962-966. For information, call 1-800-ASK-USPS.

Holiday Hours At Botanic Garden

The United States Botanic Garden is a special place in the evenings. For the holiday season it will be open from 6 to 8 p.m. on three Thursdays in December. While spending a few hours exploring a holiday exhibit featuring new plant varieties and a garden train exhibit, people will be entertained with holiday music. On Thursday, December 21 the "Lox and Vodka" will perform.



"Gone are the days when all we wished for as a present was a nut cracker."



PRELIMINARY AGENDA MEETING OF THE GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS Thursday, December 21, 2006 GHI BOARD ROOM 7:30 PM

Key Agenda Item:

- Requested Resale Exception for Over-height Fence, 13F Laurel Hill

Regular board meetings are open to members.

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Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd.
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Our sympathy to the Klem family on the death of their mother and grandmother, Virginia Klem, who died on November 28, 2006.

Greenbelters were saddened to hear of the deaths of two sons of former city manager Charles T. McDonald. Dr. Matthew John McDonald, Sr., died on November 26, 2006. His brother Thomas J. McDonald, Sr., died on December 7, 2006. Both men grew up in Greenbelt.

Former music teacher at Eleanor Roosevelt High School and Parkdale High School, Dorothy S. Pickard, died on November 4, 2006. Mrs. Pickard touched the lives of many Greenbelt children who participated in her orchestra classes and trips to compete in various locations.

Congratulations to Noah Desch, son of Theresa and Michael Desch of Lakeside. Noah was named to the dean's list for the spring quarter at Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology, Terre Haute, Ind.

Schools Launch New TV Program

To provide more information to parents and insight into critical educational issues for all stakeholders, Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) will air a new monthly television program this weekend entitled, "Children Come First with Dr. Deasy." The first episode will be televised Saturday and Sunday at 10 a.m. on PGCPS-TV96. It will introduce the program to the public and cover timely topics that include planning for college enrollment and success on the state High School Assessments (HSAs).

"Children Come First with Dr. Deasy" is a monthly 30-minute news magazine program that focuses on PGCPS current events, news, programs, employees, students, services and issues. Each month Deasy and other school system leaders will discuss important programs, including new initiatives designed to expand Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate opportunities in every school, provide the Intensive Support and Intervention Schools (ISIS) program to chronically low-performing schools and

increase parent and community engagement.

All Prince George's County Comcast cable television subscribers can tune in to Channel 96. To check the television programming schedule, log on to www.pgcps.org.

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Tip of the Week

Consider Carbon Offsets
As Special Holiday Gifts

by Harriette Phelps and Jim Cohen

The first in a series of tips from the Community Education and Planning work group of GHI's Sustainable Design and Practices Ad Hoc Committee.

An environmentally friendly approach to gift giving this year is the purchase of what are known as “carbon offsets.” The carbon offset program is a market trading scheme that allows the public to “cancel out” one’s carbon emissions in a particular year by giving money to an organization or firm that invests in large scale emission reduction projects such as sustainable forestry practices and renewable energy projects.

One can purchase carbon offsets by going to a carbon-offset organization’s website that assists in calculating the total annual amount of carbon that one’s household or business produces or simply the amount produced, for example, by driving. One’s “carbon footprint” determines what one is to pay.

The carbon-offset organization will then invest in renewable energy or other projects that will reduce global carbon emissions by approximately that same amount.

Some of the participating non-profit firms are CarbonFund.org; CarbonCounter.org; NativeEnergy.com; www.driveneutral.org; Clean Energy Partnership; or the Bonnevillle Environmental Foundation (www.b-e-f.org). A for-profit firm that also participates is TerraPass.com.

GHI member Harriette Phelps reports that she purchased home carbon offsets from <http://cleanenergypartnership.com> (wind power)

and car-based offsets from www.driveneutral.org. The latter website calculated that her car, with an average yearly mileage of 12,000 emits 6,710 lbs. of CO2 a year and that her offset for driving would cost \$45.

Drive Neutral, in turn, bought \$45 worth of CO2 credits on the Chicago Climate Exchange, sent her a CO2 Neutral Certification decal and suggested that she give the decal as a holiday gift.

Terra Pass, a for-profit California-based group, not only sends decals for carbon offset purchases but also markets carbon offset gift packages for home, road travel or flight travel. For example, the small-home gift package offsets 15,000 lbs. of CO2 a year and includes a compound fluorescent light bulb, refrigerator magnet, recycled bag dispenser and holiday gift card, for \$29.95.

Of course, buying carbon offsets does not excuse anyone from reducing ones driving and other uses of fossil fuels. Indeed, some critics of carbon offset programs claim that, by selling a “clean conscience,” the offset companies actually undermine the political action needed to combat global warming.

But as the National Resources Defense Council says, it’s not an either/or choice. We can reduce our energy use and buy carbon offsets at the same time. The more we do and the sooner, the better.

Celebrate the Holidays, Make
A Visit to the Local Library

by Karen Seaton, Info Specialist

Come in to borrow movies or books. Movies are \$2.10 for two nights. The library has a collection of books about Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, New Year’s Day and other holidays.

The American Film Institute (AFI) recently released its list of the top 25 movie musicals of all time. The Prince George’s County Memorial Library System Audio-Visual collection contains all 25. Some of these special movies are “Singin’ In The Rain,” “West Side Story,” “The Wizard of Oz,” “The Sound of Music,” “Cabaret” and “Mary Poppins.” Call Audio-Visual Services (301-985-4696) to arrange to have movies sent to Greenbelt Library for pick-up.

On January 6 and 8 at 9:15 a.m., the library is offering free introductory internet training. Advance registration is required; just call or drop in to register.

For more information come to the library, call 301-345-5800 or visit the website at www.pgcmlls.info. Renew books by phone, 301-333-3111, online or in person. Up to 75 items may be borrowed with each library card.

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Starting December 1
Seniors and Disabled
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RIDE FREE

Coming Events

Adult Book Discussion, Jeffrey Eugenides’ “Middlesex” January 17 at 7 p.m. (Note: There will be no adult book discussion in December.)

Tuesday December 19, 10:30 a.m.– Cuddletime for newborns to 17 months with caregiver, limit 15 babies.

Wednesday, December 20, Toddlertime, at 10:30 and repeated again at 11 a.m. For ages 18 to 35 months with caregiver, limit 15 children.

Thursday, December 21, 10:30 a.m. Drop-in Storytime for ages 3 to 5. Limit 20 children.

GES Concert
On Tuesday

The public is invited to a free holiday performance of “A Perfect Winter Day” presented by the chorus and band members of Greenbelt Elementary School’s Music Department on Tuesday, December 19 at 6:30 p.m.

New Year, New
Café Leadership

The New Deal Café is not just another coffeehouse. It is a non-stock, nonprofit membership corporation – a co-op. And at the next Annual Members Meeting on January 21, elections will be held to fill three seats on the Café board of directors. Café co-op members who are “members in good standing” will be eligible to vote and those who have been members for at least six months are eligible to stand for election.

The members of the Café board of directors serve as both representatives of the membership by providing stewardship and direction and also as business managers dealing with the maintenance and development of the enterprise. The core responsibility of the board is to keep the Café going, and keep it growing. The time commitment is three to four hours per month. A mix of experience and skills among the board members helps bring a community perspective to the work; members with financial, planning and business experience will be especially beneficial to the co-op.

Those interested in nominating someone for the Café board, including themselves, or wanting to check their eligibility are encouraged to contact Lori Martin, Nominations Committee, at 301-345-9476.

Blood Drive at SHL
Recreation Center

The next blood drive in Greenbelt sponsored by the Greenbelt Recreation Department, Springhill Lake Apartments and the American Red Cross will be held at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center on Friday, December 22 from noon to 6 p.m.

The urgent need for blood, especially at holiday times, makes a large turnout important.

Those who have not already made an appointment through the Red Cross should call Janet Goldberg at 301-397-2212. As was the case in the last blood drive, walk-ins will be accepted at the end of each hour to fill in for no-show appointments.

Community Events

Seasonal Events
At Greenbriar

Greenbriar’s Breakfast with Santa will take place on Saturday, December 16 at 10 a.m. in Greenbriar’s Terrace Room. The Greenbriar Holiday Senior Luncheon will be held on Tuesday, December 19 at noon in the Terrace Room.

For more information call 301-441-1096 ext. 11.

Music at the New
Deal Café this Week

The week before Christmas is full of varied music at the New Deal Café. Tuesday evening, December 20, Vasili performs classical music. Folk sounds are up on Wednesday with Midnight Bob and Friends and on Thursday with Steve Haug. Friday brings experimental classical music with the Elegant Trio. Folk rock by iLYAiMY headlines Saturday evening and an Irish music jam session closes out the week on Sunday afternoon.

John Guernsey, musician and artist, plays jazz and blues piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m. every Friday and Saturday evenings.

The café will close at 8 p.m. on Sunday, December 24 – Christmas Eve.

GHI Notes

Upcoming meetings and events:

Saturday, December 16, 11 a.m. – Pre-purchase Orientation, GHI Administration Building

Thursday, December 21, 7:30 p.m. – Board of Directors meeting, Board Room

Monday, December 25 – Holiday, GHI Offices closed

Astronomical Society
Hosts Star Party

The Astronomical Society of Greenbelt will host a star party on December 16 at Northway Fields. Members of the society will begin setting up to view celestial objects at approximately 5 p.m. In the event of rain or hopelessly cloudy skies the event will be cancelled without further notice. Information about other events can be found on the society website at <http://www.greenbeltastro.org/events-shtml>.

Have a telescope but not sure how to use it? Bring it along – society members will offer assistance to help people become successful amateur astronomers.

ACE Writing Contest

The ACE Reading Club, a free reading-incentive program created by the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Education, is now funded by the City of Greenbelt. It is announcing a youth writing contest for students.

The ACE Reading Club 5th annual Youth Writing Contest is for students in grades 6 through 12 who live in or attend school in Greenbelt. The contest focuses on poetry and short fiction and has two divisions: Junior (grades 6 to 8) and Senior (grades 9 to 12). The deadline for submitting entries is March 2. Entries must be delivered to the Greenbelt CARES office at 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770.

Students may enter up to two entries in each category. There is no theme for the contest this year – students are encouraged to be creative in their topics of choice. Students with winning entries will present their pieces at the 5th Annual Greenbelt Youth Literary Showcase on April 20. Students will receive award certificates and cash prizes. The event will be taped and aired at a later date on Greenbelt’s cable channel 71.

For more information contact Liz Murray, program coordinator, at 301-345-6660, lmurray@greenbeltmd.gov or acereadingclub@yahoo.com.

ACE Essay Contest
Winners Announced

The winners of the ACE Reading Club Essay contest are: 1st: Barbara Turnbull, 2nd: David Gardner, 3rd: Emmanuel Onina.

Students wrote an essay with the following theme: “If an out-of-town visitor was coming to visit, where would you take your visitor? Describe the best places around your town and why they are so interesting. Write about parks, museums, lakes, stores, restaurants and other places you enjoy. If you had a magic wand and could add anything to Greenbelt, what would it be and why?”

Essays will be posted on the ACE Reading Club website at www.greenbeltmd.gov/ace and will be printed in “Greenbelt Voices,” an ACE Reading Club publication to be printed in May 2007.

GREENBELT MUSEUM

Co-op Sales
December 16, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Items Include:
Holiday Cards
Oil Cloth Aprons
Ornaments
Molly Doll Raffle
Cat’s Meows
History Books



Obituaries

Virginia Rita Klem
Virginia Rita Klem, 91, of Hillside Road died November 28, 2006, at Doctors Hospital after a heart attack.



Mrs. Klem was born in Rochester, N.Y. She worked for Eastman Kodak. It was there she met her husband, Justin J. Klem. They were married in 1941. During World War II they moved to the Washington area.

The Klems established Trans-color Photo Company. Their color development business was unique in the 1950s. After 15 years they sold the business.

Mrs. Klem was a member of St. Hugh of Grenoble Catholic Church and sodality. She volunteered at the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department's Ladies Auxiliary and St. Hugh's School.

She took care of her husband who became ill with multiple sclerosis until his death in 1986.

She is survived by five children, Karen Klem Smith and her husband James, Bethesda; Thomas J. Klem and his wife Julie, Boston; Robert E. Klem and his wife Donna, Bowie; Paul R. Klem and his wife Karen, Monrovia; Michael R. Klem and his wife Maureen, Dunkirk; 12 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

A mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Hugh of Grenoble Church on Friday, December 1. Interment was at Gate of Heaven Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Multiple Sclerosis Society, National Capital Chapter, 2021 K Street N.W., Suite 715, Washington, D.C. 20006-1035 or to St. Hugh of Grenoble Catholic Church.

Arrangements were made by Collins Funeral Home.

Dorothy S. Pickard

Dorothy S. Pickard, 85, died on November 4, 2006, of congestive heart failure at Heron Point of Chestertown, Md., where she had lived for the past nine years.

Mrs. Pickard was born in Wisconsin Rapids and grew up in Tacoma, Wash. She was a graduate of Northwestern University.

In 1945 she moved to the Washington area. She lived in Takoma Park and was a member of Riverdale Presbyterian Church, participating in music programs there. Although she played in local orchestras and chamber groups, she took time off to raise her family.

She was a member of the Sigma Alpha Iota International music Fraternity, the American String Teachers Associations, the Music Educators National Conferences and the Maryland Music Educators Association.

Her interests included travel, camping and animals.

After she received a masters degree in music education in 1967 from the University of Maryland, she began teaching in Prince George's County Schools, elementary, middle and high schools, the latter in Greenbelt schools. From 1976 until her retirement in 1997 she taught at Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS). Before that she taught at Parkdale High School. Many

Greenbelt students were influenced by her.

Mrs. Pickard worked with string instruments and orchestras and developed award-winning groups. Greenbelters who attended Parkdale will remember trips to Bermuda.

Mrs. Pickard took her 77-member ERHS orchestra to the International Youth and Music Festival in Europe in 1982 where they placed second among 53 high school orchestras from 15 countries.

According to a Washington Post report, in a darkened Munich stadium, Mrs. Pickard conducted an encore piece with a lighted baton. A director's chair labeled "World's Best Director" was given to her on her return to this country.

Hugh B. Pickard, her husband of 41 years, died in 1987.

Survivors include daughters Virginia Lewis of Lawrenceville, Ga., and Kathryn Pickard of Takoma Park and two grandchildren.

Dr. Matthew John McDonald, Sr.

Dr. Matthew John McDonald, Sr., 63, died on November 26, 2006.

The son of Greenbelt's third city manager, Charles T. McDonald, Dr. McDonald grew up in Greenbelt.

He is survived by his wife P. Gayle O'Callaghan; daughters Lisa Lombardo and Annemarie Ramirez; son Matthew John McDonald, Jr.; grandchildren Nina, Nik, Iain, Ryan and Christopher; sister Mary Anne Papale; and brothers Thomas, Gerald and Paul McDonald.

Services were held November 29 at George P. Kalas Funeral Home, Edgewater. Interment was at Lakemont Memorial Gardens.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to DeMatha Catholic High School, 4313 Madison Street, Hyattsville, MD 20871 or online at www.dematha.org or to the Esophageal Education Foundation, P.O. Box 821, Manalapan, NJ 07726.

Thomas J. McDonald, Sr.

Former Greenbelter Thomas J. McDonald, Sr., of Colonial Beach, Va., died on Thursday, December 7, 2006.

Mr. McDonald grew up in Greenbelt while his father, Charles T. McDonald, was Greenbelt's third city manager.

His brother, Dr. Matthew John McDonald, Sr., preceded him in death on November 26.

Mr. McDonald is survived by his wife Marilyn; daughters Catherine Walls and Karen McDonald; sons Thomas J. McDonald, Jr., and Patrick McDonald; sister Mary Anne Papale; brothers Gerald and Paul McDonald; 11 grandchildren; and a host of relatives and friends.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be similarly sent to DeMatha Catholic High School.

In Memoriam

When I received a call on November 28, 2006, from Virginia Klem's daughter informing me of her mother's death, I was deeply saddened. She became my friend and second family when I first moved to Greenbelt. And, to all who knew this very special lady, who could be seen on her porch from early spring to late fall, greeting all who passed by with a warm smile, they too have lost a dear friend.

To say I will miss her is an understatement. She touched my life by her kindness and caring for others and her family. I think she would borrow a quarter from someone to give another who needed it more.

Caring, giving and loving was Virginia Klem.

You will never be forgotten.

— Alice A. Kovalchik

Jesus is the Reason for the Season.

Come join us for Christmas Service at
Berwyn Presbyterian Church, 6301 Greenbelt Road,
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Sunday School, 9:30am (not on 12/24 or 12/31)
Worship Services, Sunday, 11:00am
Christmas Concert, Saturday, Dec. 16, 7:30pm
Christmas Eve Service, Sunday, Dec. 24, 7:30pm

GREENBELT BAPTIST CHURCH

Corner of Crescent and Greenhill Roads 301-474-4212
www.greenbeltbaptist.org greenbelt.baptist@verizon.net
Dr. Mark Johnson, Pastor

Sunday School: 9:30 am
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Weds. Worship: 7:00 pm
(Adult Bible Study/Prayer & Children's Ministry)

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10:00 am Sung Mass with organ and folk music, ASL interpreted
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135 Crescent Road
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Christmas & New Year's Schedule

Confessions
December 21 – 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
December 23 – 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon

Masses
Children's Mass – Sunday, December 24 - 5:00 p.m.
Midnight Mass – Monday, December 25 - 12:00 a.m.
(Lessons and Carols begin at 11:30 p.m.)
Christmas Day Mass – Monday, December 25 - 10:00 a.m.
Monday, January 1, New Year's Day, 10:00 a.m.

Pastor: Rev. Walter J. Tappe
Pastoral Associate: Rev. R. Scott Hurd

Greenbelt Community Church

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Every breath that we breathe is a blessing from God and we learn from the Prophet Solomon (peace be upon him) to recognize these blessings each day. The Holy Qur'an tells us how he never forgot to be thankful to God. He is quoted to have said, "This is by the grace of my Lord, to test me whether I am grateful or ungrateful! And if any is grateful, it is (a gain) for his own soul; but if any is ungrateful, truly my Lord is free of all needs, supreme in honor."
— The Holy Qur'an, 27:40

Remember to count your blessings. For more information about gratefulness from an Islamic perspective, call 301-982-9463 or email info@searchislam.org or visit www.searchislam.org.

Hope Fellowship

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Bible Study & Worship

9:30 "Good Morning!!" Coffee and Snacks
10:00 a.m. Bible Study 11:00 a.m. Worship
Greenbelt Youth Center
99 Centerway (Behind the Community Center)

**December 17 Sermon:
And He Shall Be Called**

Pastor Lou Redd
301-474-4499 410-340-8242 (cell)
...living life together

In Memoriam

Grandma Klem

The time we have here today is not enough to adequately describe how this woman, friend, grandmother and great-grandmother has touched all of our lives.

I, like all of you, am going through the motions of this mourning process, desperately hanging on to what we have left here of Grandma and terrified to say good-bye. Let us all try to take comfort that we really never have to let go of the countless memories that are in our hearts forever.

When we are born, we rely on the attention of our parents or caregivers because they provide everything for us, food, shelter, clothing and love – and for this, we love them unconditionally.

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Baha'i Faith

"O my friend! In all circumstances one should seize upon every means which will promote security and tranquility among the peoples of the world."
– Bahá'u'lláh

Greenbelt Baha'i Community

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Week of December 15

FRI. – SAT.

Happy Feet, PG (!)
12:15, 2:30, 5, 7:25, 9:50

Charlotte's Web, G (!)
12:15, 2:30, 4:50, 7:10, 9:45

Pursuit of Happiness, PG-13 (!)
12, 2:40, 5:20, 8, 10:45

Casino Royale, PG-13 (!)
12, 3:10, 6:30, 9:45

Déjà Vu, PG-13 (!)
12, 2:40, 5:20, 8, 10:45

SUN.

Happy Feet, PG (!)
12:15, 2:30, 5, 7:25

Charlotte's Web, G (!)
12:15, 2:30, 4:50, 7:10

Pursuit of Happiness, PG-13 (!)
12, 2:40, 5:20, 8

Casino Royale, PG-13 (!)
1, 4, 7:15

Déjà Vu, PG-13 (!)
12, 2:40, 5:20, 8

MON. – TUE.

Happy Feet, PG (!)
5, 7:20

Charlotte's Web, G (!)
5, 7:15

Pursuit of Happiness, PG-13 (!)
5:20, 8

Casino Royale, PG-13 (!)
4:45, 7:45

Déjà Vu, PG-13 (!)
5:20, 8

WED. – THUR.

Happy Feet, PG (!)
5, 7:20

Charlotte's Web, G (!)
5, 7:15

Pursuit of Happiness, PG-13 (!)
5:20, 8

Rocky Balboa, PG-13 (!)
5:10, 7:50

Déjà Vu, PG-13 (!)
5:20, 8


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– Barbara W. and Jaco B. ten Hove, co-ministers



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December 20th at 7:30 p.m.


A gentle, reflective service for those who for whatever reason find Christmas to be a difficult time.

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Catholic Community of Greenbelt

Sunday Mass at Municipal Building
December 17, 10:00 a.m.
No 10:00 A.M. Mass on December 24
Christmas Eve Mass at Municipal Building
December 24, 6:30 p.m.
Serve Breakfast at S.O.M.E., Sunday, December 31
Meet at St. Hugh's School Parking Lot, 6:00 a.m.
Sunday Mass at Municipal Building
December 31, 10:00 a.m.



City Information

GREENBELT FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS



Santa's Visit:

Saturday 12/16, from 10:30am to noon, Youth Center, Preschool and up / FREE. Santa has fit a visit to Greenbelt into his busy holiday schedule! All children will receive a Polaroid picture with Santa and if you bring a DVD disc you can have your visit professionally recorded.

Holiday Lights Concert:

Sunday 12/17, beginning at 3:00pm, Community Center Gym, Open to all ages / FREE. Featuring the Greenbelt Concert Band playing a selection of seasonal favorites.

Blood Drive:

Friday, 12/22, noon-6:00pm, Springhill Lake Recreation Center. Info: 301-397-2212. Hosted by: American Red Cross, Springhill Lake Apartments and Greenbelt Recreation Department.

Full Schedule at www.greenbeltmd.gov

GREENBELT NEW YEAR 2007: LOOKING BACK, LOOKING FORWARD

Join your friends and neighbors for a hometown New Year's Eve celebration featuring entertainment for all ages. The party begins at 7:00 pm on Sunday, December 31, and lasts till after midnight. Your wristband admits you to all of these events at adjoining venues in historic Greenbelt:

In the Community Center:

Visions of Jazz, DC Motors, Magic Mike the Magician, Blue Sky Puppet Theater, Greenbelt Piano Lounge, Mad Hot Ballroom Dance Party and Mini-Lessons with Frank Solomon, Sit Right Down and Write Yourself A Letter, The Great Big Greenbelt Home Movie, Greenbelt Sages Video Interviews, Janus Fortune Tellers and Memory Card Game, New Year Craft Workshop, Countdown to Midnight

In Roosevelt Center:

Greenbelt Girl Scouts Campfire in the Plaza with Song Leader Melissa Sites, Tim the Storyteller, and genuine Girl Scout S'mores, Elegant, featuring Vasili, at the New Deal Café, Camp Cabaret at the Greenbelt Arts Center, The Alex Martin Trio at the New Deal Café, GAVA/ GATE Animation Festival at the Greenbelt Movie Theatre

In the Youth Center:

Greenbelt Idol Contest, Giant Action Games, Improv Asylum, Wacky Hair Salon

Admission wristbands now on sale at the Community Center and the Co-op Supermarket. Cost: \$5 in advance; \$7 at the door. Children 5 and under admitted free. For more information, call the Community Center at 301-397-2208.

Hosted by the Greenbelt Recreation Department and Greenbelt Community Organizations.

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR GREENBELT NEW YEAR! CALLING ALL GREENBELT ARTS CENTER DIVAS AND DIVOS!

Fun is in the cards for Greenbelt New Year partygoers, courtesy of the fabulous fortune telling performers of the Greenbelt Arts Center! Sign up for a shift of prognostication, and attend the entire celebration for free!
Call Chris Cherry at 240-542-2055 to sign up.

CALLING ALL GREENBELT SENIOR CITIZENS!

The Greenbelt Museum will film Greenbelt Sages, a series of brief video interviews, during Greenbelt New Year 2007 on December 31. Is there a particular memory you would like to share with current and future Greenbelters? We want to include it in the video archive! Participants will receive a DVD of the interviews. Call the Community Center business office at 301-397-2208 to book a 20-minute interview slot.

CALLING ALL MEMBERS AND ALUMNI OF ALONIZ!

ALONIZ! members past and present are welcome to join alumnus Jesse Folks in the Improv Asylum at Greenbelt New Year on December 31. You can also put your improvisation skills to work as a fortune teller! An hour of improv gets you free admission to the event!
Call Chris Cherry at 240-542-2055 to sign up.

CALLING ALL FRIENDS OF THE MARY PURCELL GEIGER SCHOLARSHIP FUND!

Concession sales at the Community Center during Greenbelt New Year will benefit the Mary Purcell Geiger Scholarship Fund, which provides scholarships for arts and senior programs of the Greenbelt Recreation Department. Volunteer for a shift in the kitchen, and receive free admission to the celebration!
Call Chris Cherry at 240-542-2055 to sign up.

GREENBELT MUNICIPAL/PUBLIC ACCESS CHANNEL 71

MUNICIPAL ACCESS: 301-474-8000: Tuesday & Thursday, December 19 & 21: 10am & 6pm “Ask the Expert-Food Guide Pyramid,” 10:15 & 6:15pm “Ask the Expert-Breast Cancer,” 6:30pm: Holiday Programming.

PUBLIC ACCESS (GATE): 301-507-6581: Wednesday and Friday, December 20 & 22: 7pm Thomas Pullen School presents “Ebony Scrooge,” 8:00pm Greenbelt Arts Center presents “The Biograph Girl.”

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council advisory groups. Vacancies exist on the: Arts Advisory Board , Advisory Committee on Education, Advisory Planning Board, Employee Relations Board, Public Safety Advisory Committee, Recycling & Environment Advisory Committee, Youth Advisory Committee (youth and adult positions)

For more information, please call 301-474-8000.

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Mill on Riggs Road near University Boulevard. The two-story structure, a stone grist mill now owned by M-NCPPC, is available as rental space. I have attended weddings there and other sorts of group events on its timbered floor.

Still earlier is an unusual painted brick building on Knox Road in College Park now used for special events but previously belonging to the College Park Woman's Club. Before that it was a church. It was built as a barn in 1817, part of the Charles Calvert Riversdale estate.

The building is not far from the large acreage Calvert later donated to the small agricultural college he was instrumental in founding 150 years ago – later transformed as the University of Maryland. The estate house itself, in Riverdale Park and constructed between 1801 and 1807, is also, of course, included in the book.

The Rossborough Inn, dating from 1803 – now part of the University's campus – was a stagecoach stop on the Washington and Baltimore Pike but after 1858 was used as the classroom building of the college and an agricultural station.

Near Greenbelt are several houses in Berwyn Heights – some of them so-called pattern book houses. These were great Victorian-style structures whose architectural specifications could be ordered through a pattern book, something like a Sears & Roebuck catalog. One could also order the lumber and specialty shingles in various shapes and colors that were a signature aspect of the

houses' design.

Archeology

New in the 2006 edition of the Illustrated History is a section entitled Archeological Sites. One is the site of the National Archives building in College Park. When excavation was under way for construction of that building, remains were found of period stone tools and the tool-making process dating to the Late Archaic Period (ca. 3500 B.C. to 1000 B.C.).

An even more extensive site for archaic Indian remains is off Bryan Point Road at Accokeek Creek opposite Mount Vernon. Another is the Riverview Road Archeological Site at Fort Washington. Captain John Smith, on his trip up the Potomac River, described the extensive Indian activities he saw along that shore. He was unaware, of course, of its prehistoric antiquity.

Nothing like that old is the Muirkirk Furnace Site in Beltsville, established in 1847. Only one charcoal kiln survives of the iron manufacturing company that produced some 7,000 tons of pig iron per year until it closed in 1920.

For readers interested in tracking down specific kinds of architectural types, such as colonial or Greek Revival or classifications of sites like law offices or examples related to early transportation, the book's introduction provides an elaborate classification of examples of each category. With book in hand one should be able to track down any number of interesting places to visit and study on some future Sunday afternoon.

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When we get older we learn that much of life and relationships are all about conditions. This point is what made Grandma Klem truly one of a kind. Grandma had the profound ability to have relationships without conditions or expectations. The love and caring she provided to everyone who touched her life was pure. She was an angel. Let us all move forward in life knowing we were touched by God through Grandma and challenge ourselves to be the best we can be unconditionally – set out Pepsi for the mailman, be generous with your time, include everyone.

Grandma, we love you with all that we are and will never forget you, your smile, the softness of your skin, the comfort of your touch, your smell. You and Pop-Pop have been reunited; please watch over us and help us to carry out your legacy. We love you sweet angel.

– Teresa Dennison,
granddaughter

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an option that he could accept. Roberts made a motion, which carried unanimously, that the current bids be rejected and that staff call for new bids to include a truck with a regular steel body and a gas/natural gas dual fuel engine.

New Bids

The specifications submitted to bidders in the second round included engine options for a pre-2007 diesel engine, a natural gas/gasoline bi-fuel engine, a natural gas/diesel bi-fuel engine or a diesel/hybrid electric engine.

Staff sent bid request notices to 27 vendors, including 13 that specialize in alternative fuel vehicles (AFV). Only seven bids were received, none from the specialists in AFV, though there was one bid for an AFV with a propane engine option for \$75,356. For this truck, the city would need to purchase and install a liquid petroleum refueling pump.

The lowest bid was the one accepted, with others ranging from just over \$56,000 to \$75,356. The bid did not meet the specifications for central hydraulics, but Hall said in a memo that these could be added

when the salt spreader is purchased. The cost of this installation with the salt spreader and plow purchased bring the cost of the replacement to an estimated \$78,285.

Hall said savings on other equipment and vehicles this year would more than offset the difference between the cost of the replacement and the budgeted amount. He recommended approving the purchase.

Happy Holidays

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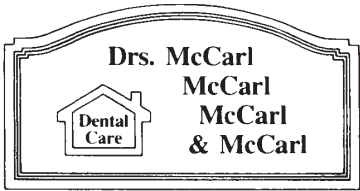


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Police Blotter

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department.
Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

Robberies

December 2, 6:51 p.m., Crescent Road and Gardenway, a man reported that when he exited a Metro bus, four young men approached him and began kicking and punching him; they then reached into his pocket and removed cash. The man managed to get away and saw the young men run into Roosevelt Center. The suspects were all described as black males, ages 18 to 20, one with a corn row hair style and wearing a black jacket with a fur-lined hood.

December 2, 11:10 p.m., 6200 block of Springhill Court, a woman reported that a man passed her as she was walking from the parking lot to her building. He opened the front door of the building as if to hold it for her, then displayed a claw hammer and demanded her purse. The woman gave the man her purse and he fled. The suspect is described as a black male, age 18 to 22, 5'11" with black hair in braids just below ear length, wearing a black puffy Northface jacket and blue jeans.

Assaults

December 2, 8:12 p.m., 5900 block of Cherrywood Terrace, a man reported that he was walking his dog when a man approached him. He advised the suspect twice not to come any closer as his dog would bite. The suspect pulled a knife after the second warning. When he noticed bystanders watching from

a balcony, he fled to a van being driven by another person and they left. The suspect is described as a Hispanic male in his 20s, 5'6," medium weight, black hair, wearing a dark-colored coat, blue jeans and white shoes. The van was dark in color with front-end damage.

December 4, 8:49 p.m., Beltway Plaza, a store clerk was physically assaulted by a person who had frequented the store previously and had verbally assaulted the clerk, alluding to an ongoing situation with another store employee. The clerk was not injured.

Drug Arrests

December 1, 4:42 p.m., 7700 block of Hanover Parkway, a resident man was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana. Responding to a report of a fight, police found baggies of suspected marijuana on the man. He was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

December 2, 4:47 p.m., 6000 block of Springhill Drive, a resident youth was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana and possession with intent to distribute. Police responded to a report of a burglary in progress and observed a person running from the front of a building to the basement, where he was then found in a laundry room. Located in the laundry room and on the youth's person were baggies

of suspected marijuana. The youth was charged on citation and released to a relative pending action by the juvenile justice system.

December 6, 5:20 p.m., Parkway, a resident man was arrested and released on a criminal citation pending trial. Police observed him in the wooded area behind Parkway. A pipe used to smoke concealed dangerous substances was found on him.

December 7, 10:17 a.m., Parkway, a resident man was arrested and released on a criminal citation pending trial. Police detected the odor of suspected marijuana coming from a group of four individuals in the wooded area behind Parkway. Upon investigation, police located a cigar which contained suspected marijuana behind a man who had been attempting to conceal something behind his person.

Theft

December 2, 9:10 p.m., Greenway Center, a gym locker was broken into. Clothing and a wallet with identity cards were taken.

December 3, 6:55 p.m., Greenbelt Metro Station, a Samsung cell phone was reported stolen from a bench at the station.

December 7, 12:35 p.m., Greenway Center, a wallet was removed from a woman's purse while the purse was in a shopping cart.

Malicious Destruction

December 2, 5:35 p.m., 6900

block of Hanover Parkway, unknown person(s) threw two large rocks through the living room window of an apartment, shattering the window.

December 3, 6:12 p.m., 7700 block of Jacobs Drive, unknown person(s) forced a front kitchen window causing the frame of the window to break. Entry was not attempted.

December 6, 5:42 p.m., 6200 block of Springhill Drive, unknown person(s) broke a patio door to a residence.

Burglaries

December 1, 11:38 p.m., 7700 block of Jacobs Drive, unknown person(s) attempted to gain entry by forcing open a kitchen window. Entry was not gained.

December 4, 11:38 p.m., 9300 block of Edmonston Road, unknown person(s) used unknown means to enter a residence. A cell phone, charger, digital camera and U.S. currency were missing.

December 6, 2:39 p.m., 7000 block of Mathew Street, unknown person(s) entered a residence through an unlocked sliding glass door and removed U.S. currency, several items of jewelry and a cell phone.

December 7, 8:38 p.m., 9003 block of Edmonston Terrace, unknown person(s) used unknown means to enter a residence. Various items including a Dell laptop computer, two televisions, clothing, a microwave and furniture (king-size bed and end tables)

were taken.

Vehicle Crimes

Three vehicles were reported stolen: a 2005 silver Chevy Cavalier 2S, Maryland tags 1AFS37 from the 5900 block of Cherrywood Terrace; a 2000 Ford Explorer, Maryland tags 781M951 from the 7800 block of Hanover Parkway; and a burgundy 2005 Ford F150 truck, Virginia tags JSE4817 from the 9000 block of Breezewood Terrace.

Three vehicles were recovered, all by outside police departments. One male juvenile was arrested.

Vandalism to, theft from and attempted theft of vehicles were reported in the following areas: 7800, 7900, 8000 and 8200 blocks Mandan Road (2 thefts and 9 vandalisms); 7800 block Hanover Parkway; 7400 block Greenway Center Drive; 6400 block Ivy Lane; 8900 and 9100 blocks Edmonston Road; 6200 block Springhill Court; and 6100 block Springhill Terrace.

NOTICE

There have recently been several reported vandalisms to homes in the Greenbelt East area, many involving objects being thrown at and shattering windows. Citizens are urged to report any suspicious activity to Greenbelt police at 301-474-7200.

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Mary Kingsley



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The Bob Brown Puppets will present the entertaining “Snow Show” which will be followed by a visit with Santa and his friends (teddy bear, snowman, panda and chipmunk). Each child will receive a gift. Admission and parking are free. No tickets or reservations are needed.

The Deerfield Run Elementary School/Community Center is located at 13000 Laurel-Bowie Road (Route 197 near Contee Road).

The annual free Children’s Holiday Program is provided by the South Laurel Recreation Council volunteers, who are celebrating 37 years of service to the community. Call 301-776-2805 for further information.

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